

National Operations Update

As of 7:30 a.m., 29 Jan 2022

Emergency Preparedness Secretariat

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MAIN POINTS

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- Updated: Summary of Canada Unity Convoy 2022 planned demonstration.

CURRENT OPERATIONS/ISSUES:

COVID-19

Current RFA Update

Jurisdiction	RFA	Status
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Potential New RFAs being considered

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IQALUIT WATER SAFETY

- As of 28 Jan, Nunavut's Health Department has lifted a precautionary boil-water advisory for the City of Iqaluit. The advisory was put in place on 19 Jan when the city started using a bypass system to pump water to residents.
- Nunavut MP Lori Idlout (NDP) is calling for \$180M to end the water emergency in Iqaluit, in a letter dated 21 Jan to Infrastructure and Communities Minister Dominic Leblanc. No specifics provided on what the funds would be used for, but Mayor Kenny Bell recently stated that the city needs a new water source and treatment plant.
- Some residents have reported a return fuel smells in water. Although slight levels of hydrocarbons have been detected in the water, these levels are within an acceptable range.
- The City of Iqaluit has shut down the water treatment plant and activated the multi-tank bypass. No timeline on when the water treatment plant may be back online.
- NU Emergency Management does not anticipate an RFA.

EMERGING ISSUES

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CANADA UNITY CONVOY 2022 – PLANNED DEMONSTRATION (28-29 JAN)

- Organizers have expressed the intent for a peaceful event against mandatory vaccine mandates, starting at noon on Parliament Hill with the possibility of impromptu events and organized events occurring around Ottawa and across the country. The duration of the protest in Ottawa is still unknown.
- As of 28 Jan, 1630 hrs, the total estimated vehicles in convoys: 551
- There is concern that individuals with a range of views, some ideologically motivated with violent extremist action, could exploit the convoy to promote action that pose a risk to the public and officer safety. No substantiated threats or credible plans have been identified at this time.
- “Slow roll” convoys and blockades at provincial and CAN/U.S. border crossings and port of entry (POE) are expected; the FBI is aware monitor – to date, no indicators of planned violent activity in support of or surrounding this protest have been identified.
- Freedom Convoy 2022 has raised over \$7.4M in fundraising support; however, GoFundMe has temporarily frozen the funds. The money raised will help registered truckers pay for fuel, lodging and food.
- The Ottawa Police Service (OPS) has stood up an NCR command centre in order for all agencies to be in direct and real-time communication. Toronto Police Services are being deployed to support efforts.
- The convoy could pose a threat to the physical security of the Parliamentary Precinct and significant disruptions to parliamentary operations are expected: Parliament Hill, 24 Sussex, Senate of Canada Building and 181 Queen St (CBC Bldg).
- The Crisis Management Cell (CMC) assesses the impact to PMO/PCO assessed as HIGH.
- Restrictions/lockdowns (not/not shelter in place) have been proactively put in place at some locations in Ottawa - this is good practice in these incidences:
- The Ottawa Police Service is putting for an Assistance to Law Enforcement (ALEA) request for the use of the Cartier Drill Hall/Parking Lot as a staging area for OPS and assisting law enforcement agencies. This is a standard RFA that will need to be processed urgently with concurrence from the Min PS and supported by the Min EP.

ASYLUM SEEKERS

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- Reports of a renewed stream of migrants seeking refuge in Canada after a 20 month ban, lifted on November 21 2021.
- Increase in migrants are being reported at the Lacolle, QC port of entry.

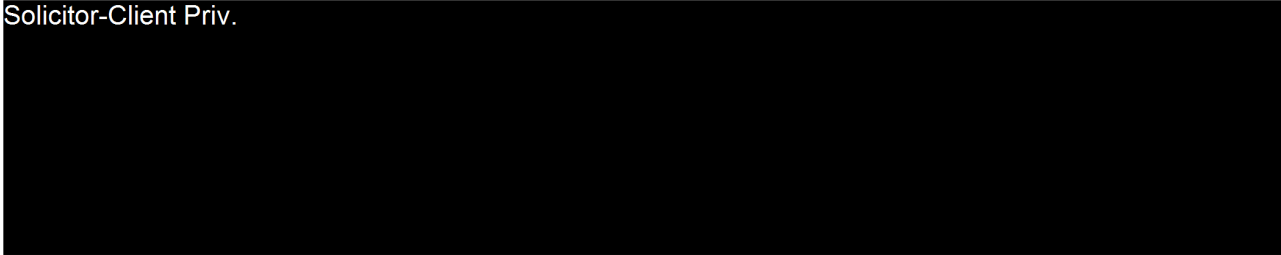
NATIONAL SUPPLY CHAIN

- No critical impacts are being felt at this time.

SPRING FLOODING IN CANADA

- The GOC will issue its Initial Planning Guidance on 17 Jan.
- A national Risk Assessment and Plan are expected to be finalized and shared in early March.
- Public Safety's Critical Infrastructure (CI) Directorate is conducting a CI Impact Assessment with CI owners/operators, P/T governments and Federal institutions with CI responsibilities.

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UKRAINE

- On 26 Jan, the N4 (Ukraine, Russia, Germany, France) agreed to a joint communique following a meeting in Paris during which they underlined their support for the “unconditional observance of the cease fire and full adherence to the measures to strengthen the cease fire.” The sides also agreed to meet again in two weeks in Berlin.
- On 26 Jan, the Minister of National Defence and the Minister of Foreign Affairs, joined the Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister to announce \$340 million for immediate support to Ukraine and for the extension and expansion of Operation UNIFIER, the Canadian Armed Forces’ military training and capacity-building mission in Ukraine.
- On 25 Jan, Canada ordered family members of diplomatic staff stationed in Ukraine to leave the country. GAC has updated its travel guidance, advising Canadians to avoid non-essential travel due to ongoing Russian threats and military buildup in and around the country.

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